

NEWS and NOTES

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FRESNO

The second annual session of the San Joaquin Valley Medical and Surgical Institute will be held in Fresno, Thursday and Friday, October 4 and 5, 1951.

The program follows:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:00-9:00 a.m.—Registration: Mezzanine Floor, Hotel Californian.

Chairman of morning session, Thomas A. Collins, M.D.

9:30-10:30 a.m.—The Differentiation of Organic and Functional Complaints—Paul A. Glibe, M.D., assistant professor of psychiatry, University of California School of Medicine.

10:30-11:30 a.m.—Essential Office Laboratory Procedures—Marcus Krupp, M.D., director, Palo Alto Medical Research Foundation and assistant clinical professor of medicine, Stanford University.

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.—Current Concepts in Diagnosis and Treatment of Rheumatic States—Hilliard J. Katz, M.D., instructor in internal medicine at University of California Medical School.

12:30-2:00 p.m.—Luncheon and Round Table Discussion at Hotel Californian—Doctors Glibe, Krupp and Katz participating; Frank W. Bailey, M.D., chairman.
Chairman of afternoon session, C. S. Mitchell, M.D.

2:00-3:30 p.m.—Practical Means of Fluid Balance Maintenance in Disease—Marcus Krupp, M.D.

3:30-5:00 p.m.—Obliterative Diseases of Blood Vessels—Edwin J. Wylie, M.D., instructor in surgery, University of California.

6:30-10:30 p.m.—Dinner, Hotel Californian. Speaker: Paul A. Glibe, M.D.—Chronic Alcoholism.

Chairman of dinner meeting—Hugh Awtrey, M.D.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

Chairman of morning session, Russell A. Donald, M.D.

9:00-10:00 a.m.—Treatment of Burns—Louis F. Ellmore, M.D., assistant clinical professor of surgery, University of Southern California; chief of burns service, University of Southern California Division, Los Angeles County Hospital.

10:00-11:00 a.m.—Injuries of the Abdominal Viscera—Orville Grimes, M.D., assistant professor surgery, University of California.

11:00-12:00 noon—Common Infections of the Ear, Nose and Throat—Lewis F. Morrison, M.D., clinical professor, department of otorhinolaryngology, University of California Medical School, San Francisco.

12:15-1:45 p.m.—Luncheon and Round Table Discussion at Hotel Californian—Doctors Ellmore, Grimes and Morrison participating; James J. Kelley, M.D., chairman.

Chairman afternoon session, Allen Turk, M.D.

2:00-3:00 p.m.—Recent Developments in Office Gynecologic Treatment—Edmund W. Overstreet, M.D., assistant professor of gynecology and obstetrics, University of California.

3:00-4:00 p.m.—Differential Diagnosis of Urological Signs and Symptoms—Donald R. Smith, M.D., assistant clinical professor, urology, University of California School of Medicine.

4:00-5:00 p.m.—Newer Approaches to the Management of Certain Obstetrical Complications—Edmund W. Overstreet, M.D.

LOS ANGELES

Dr. John Field II, professor of physiology in the Medical School on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California, has been granted a leave of absence to serve as assistant director for biological services of the newly created National Science Foundation in Washington, D. C. He will be one of four assistant directors in charge of major fields of research.

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Dr. George M. Uhl, Los Angeles City Health Officer, recently announced assignment of three physicians to department posts. **Dr. George F. Schmelzel**, district health officer of West Los Angeles District for the past eight years, was assigned the duties of district health officer for Southwest District, with headquarters at 1126 West Vernon Avenue. **Dr. Byron O. Mork** was assigned as district health officer to West Los Angeles, Venice-Westchester District, with administrative headquarters in the West Los Angeles City Hall, 1620 Purdue Avenue. **Dr. Richard W. Lewis**, in addition to other duties, was temporarily assigned as acting district health officer of Hollywood District, headquarters at 1456 North Bronson.

SAN FRANCISCO

Dr. David A. Wood, formerly associate professor of pathology, Stanford University School of Medicine, was appointed director of the Cancer Research Institute in the University of California School of Medicine, San Francisco, effective September 1. **Dr. Robert S. Stone**, professor of radiology in the U. C. School of Medicine, has been acting director of the Institute.

Dr. Wood was secretary of the Cancer Commission of the California Medical Association from 1945 to 1951, and he held a similar post with the California Division of the American Cancer Society from 1945 to 1949. He is a professional director of the American Cancer Society for Region IV.

GENERAL

Plans for the second annual series of regional medical and surgical institutes, to be held in 1951-52, have been announced by the Committee on Postgraduate Activities of the California Medical Association. The programs have been carefully planned by a local committee representative of the counties in each region and by the directors of postgraduate activities from the medical schools supplying the faculty, so that they will not only be stimulating and useful to the attending physicians but will also furnish credit hours accept-

able to such groups as the American Academy of General Practice. Five two-day meetings will be held as follows:

October 4 and 5, 1951, at **Fresno**: San Joaquin Valley Counties Regional Medical and Surgical Institute. Teaching staff under supervision of University of California School of Medicine at San Francisco.

October 25 and 26, 1951, at **Santa Barbara**: West Coast Counties Regional Medical and Surgical Institute. Teaching staff under supervision of University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles.

January 17 and 18, 1952, at **San Bernardino**: Southern Counties Regional Medical and Surgical Institute. Teaching staff under supervision of University of California at Los Angeles School of Medicine.

February 14 and 15, 1952, at **Santa Rosa**: North Coast Counties Regional Medical and Surgical Institute. Teaching staff under supervision of Stanford University School of Medicine.

April 3 and 4, 1952, at **Sacramento**: Sacramento Valley Counties Regional Medical and Surgical Institute. Teaching staff under supervision of College of Medical Evangelists, Los Angeles.

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The California Division of the American Cancer Society will hold its fifth annual conference Friday and Saturday, September 28 and 29, at the Clift Hotel, San Francisco.

W. Edward Chamberlain, M.D., professor of radiology, Temple University, and visiting professor of oncology, University of California, will deliver the principal address at a dinner meeting at 7 p.m., Friday.

The preliminary program for the meeting follows:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00-9:45 a.m.—Registration.

9:45-10:10 a.m.—Opening session—Mr. F. M. McAuliffe, president, California Division, presiding. Greetings and announcements.

10:10-10:40 a.m.—Immediate Direction of Cancer Control—Ian Macdonald, M.D., associate professor of surgery, University of Southern California.

Intermission.

10:50-12:00 noon—County Branch Round Tables (Counties will convene, separately by groups—Class I, Class II and Class III).

12:15-1:45 p.m.—Luncheon.

2:00-4:30 p.m.—County Branch Round Tables (Continuation of morning groups).

6:00 p.m.—Refreshments.

7:00 p.m.—Annual Dinner Meeting—Dr. E. M. Butt, chairman, executive committee, California Division, presiding. Concerning a Particularly Significant Finding in Cancer Research—W. Edward Chamberlain, M.D., professor of radiology, Temple University; visiting professor of oncology, University of California.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:00-9:45 a.m.—Summary of County Branch Round Tables by chairmen of round table groups.

10:00 a.m.—Annual Meeting of Members—Mr. F. M. McAuliffe presiding.

11:30 a.m.—Board of Directors—Organization meeting.

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Postgraduate symposia on heart disease will be held next month in San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco by the respective County Heart Associations.

The San Diego County Heart Association will present its first annual postgraduate symposium October 15, 1951. The Los Angeles County Heart Association will hold its twenty-first annual symposium October 17 and 18 in the Wilshire-Ebell Theatre, and the San Francisco Heart Association will hold its twenty-second, October 24 to 27, in the Colonial Ballroom, St. Francis Hotel, and at the San Francisco Hospital.

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Dr. Travis Winsor of Los Angeles and Dr. Norman Freeman of San Francisco will be guest speakers at the Third Annual Symposium of the **Washington Heart Association** to be held October 19 to 20 in the University of Washington Medical School Auditorium, Seattle. Fields to be covered in the symposium are "Diagnosis and Therapy of Peripheral Vascular Disease" and "Surgical Treatment of Mitral Stenosis." Guest speakers on the latter subject are Dr. Robert P. Glover and Dr. O. Henry Janton, both of Philadelphia.

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Formulation of a **Bureau of Clinical Laboratory Standards** to supply highly standardized, accurate chemical solutions to its members for chemical determinations performed on body fluids has been announced by the College of American Pathologists. The purpose is to promote greater accuracy and uniformity of results by providing pathologists who do not have access to reliable materials and technical assistance with standardized solutions against which to compare solutions used in local laboratories.

The college has asked all members who direct or are responsible for clinical pathology to submit requests for the first distribution of standard solutions—three containers of dextrose standard and three of a nitrogen standard—which will be sent without charge. Requests should be addressed: College of American Pathologists, 203 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago 1, Illinois.

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Dr. Hugh H. Hussey, associate professor of medicine at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., has been appointed associate editor of **GP**, published by the American Academy of General Practice. In announcing the appointment, Mac F. Cahal, managing publisher, pointed out that the rapid growth of the publication during the past year and a half has thrown a steadily increasing burden on the medical director, Dr. Walter C. Alvarez.

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The National Gastroenterological Association will hold its Sixteenth Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions at the Drake Hotel in Chicago, September 17 to 19, 1951.

Immediately following the convention, on September 20, 21 and 22, 1951, the association will conduct a course in postgraduate gastroenterology at the Drake under the direction of Drs. O. H. Wangenstein, Minneapolis, and I. Snapper, New York.

Further information concerning the program and details of the course may be obtained by writing to the Secretary, National Gastroenterological Association, 1819 Broadway, New York 23, N. Y.

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Appointment of Dr. Wilton L. Halverson, director of the California State Department of Public Health, to head a special joint survey to evaluate the health and sanitation programs of 17 Central and South American countries was announced last month by Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service. Dr. Halverson has been given a six-month leave of absence from his California post, and Dr. Malcolm H. Merrill has been appointed acting director.